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IPFW has a long history of supporting sports – in fact, they currently support a wide range of sports. The University's support of volleyball, for example, has been unwavering for years, which is one reason IPFW's volleyball teams are so dominant. There are, however, other sports that students engage in at this campus. Take skateboarding for example.

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Coffee Break

by Kim Coffey



► Skateboarding

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Skateboarding is a sport. It is competitive, heavily based on practice and skill, and creativity is also a big factor. It is also easily accessible to the average student. Skateboarding requires creativity, practice, patience, stamina, and persistence. The University has supported the development of these personality traits in their support of other sports, clubs, and extra-curricular activities. The University has a history of promoting healthy exercise, but skateboarding seems to be excluded from that support.

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According to the violations and fines section on the University Police website, there is a \$25 fine for skateboarding.

But the campus rollerblading policy is not as blatantly restrictive. A representative who answered the phone at University Police said, "Rollerblading is okay on the North end of campus," but not on the South end because that is an area where the most pedestrian traffic is experienced.

The reasoning behind the restrictions has to do with safety issues and crowded pedestrian crowding. The idea is that rollerbladers could run into a pedestrian and injure them. Another reason involves property damage. The University Police representative stated this as one of the reasons why the activity is banned. But why isn't rollerblading 'outlawed' as well? According to Jeff Davis, Chief of Campus Police, this rule is currently under review with the Physical Plant Safety Committee.

No one questions the inadvisability of pursuing sports in common areas — can you imagine Frisbee golf in the grassy area between Kettler and Nell? Soccer in the parking lots? Skateboarders 50/50 grinding, kicking, and 'ollie-ing' through a

crowd, moving from building to building?

While those things might result in a highly viewed video on YouTube, it is clearly dangerous to pursue sports in common areas. Though many say skating is destructive, so are many other sports. But outlawing skateboarding could be perceived as extreme.

Recreation Management, a website that aims to provide ideas and solutions for recreation, sports and fitness facility managers says, "Banning skateboarding altogether due to liability concerns and property damage is wrongfully limiting the skateboarder who isn't riding in restricted areas, ignoring posted signs and/or destroying property."

These limits fail to consider the environmental and economical reasons a student might want to use a skateboard as transport.

"The reality is that skateboards are used every day by thousands of people, not only for recreational purposes, but as a convenient, compact and economical mode of transportation. In many cases, this alternative mode of transportation has replaced the bicycle." Curt Loch, owner of a skateboarding security rack business said on the Recreation Management website.

The restriction also makes students think about wasted alternatives to driving.

"I think it's not cool how they think they can fine \$25 to a person choosing an alternate way to transportation that doesn't include exhaust, and another car in the already crowded parking lots," student Rachel Bullock said.

While the issue for the administration lies in liability and property damage claims, for the students like Bullock, the bigger picture is on the environment and overcrowding.

In the end, skateboarding creates no carbon emissions, making it a prime choice for alternative, environmentally-friendly transportation, according to the National Wildlife Federation's Campus Ecology Blog.

Candidates Can Be Eliminated Before the Voting Begins!

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Not just anyone can run for office at IPFW. There are requirements, specifically laid out in the IPFW bylaws. They are available on page 6 of the constitution. <http://www.ipfw.edu/stugov/constitutionFinal.doc>

According to the IPFW election code <http://ipfw.edu/stugov/home.docs.htm>, the election board is to be made up of seven members, selected by the current president, and their primary responsibility is to run the student elections. Kristina Stevenson, current board member, stated the board's purpose is to "monitor how the candidates run" and ensure that the elections are "fair, clean and honest."

Part of the process includes sanctions for rule violations. "The Election Board will allocate between one (1) and five (5) Sanction Points for each violation, the exact number to be determined by the Election Board based on the severity and frequency of the violations. Upon accumulation of eight (8) (or more)

Sanction Points, the candidate will be removed from the ballot and all votes cast for that candidate will be voided. If the Election Board unanimously finds that any violation or sequence of violations warrants disqualification from candidacy, that candidate shall be removed from the ballot and all votes cast for that candidate will be voided regardless of Sanction Points," states the election code.

Even before the campaigning began, there were policy issues, as shown in a Facebook status of the IPFW Student Election Headquarters, posted March 4, 2010. "Very Important Message for Candidates: We would like to reiterate that campaigning does not begin ANY PLACE ANYWHERE until Tuesday, March 16, 2010. This includes Facebook! Any posts must be deleted immediately. Thank you."

Students who become fans of IPFW Student Election Headquarters on Facebook can monitor the progress of the elections. Each candidate's sanction points will be made public at the polls.

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Description of Sanction Points

Superscript numbers indicate number of sanction points against a candidate's campaign. The most sanctions points a candidate can accumulate during campaigning is eight (8).

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Author's Note: This section was copied directly from the Facebook page of IPFW Student Election Headquarters.

weather rundown



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Friday
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Saturday
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Sunday
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Monday
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Tuesday
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worldandcampus {News Brief}

The rundown on what is happening on campus and in the world this week

Noises Off

GOA: Williams Theatre this Friday, April 23 for the full-length comedy play, "The Show Starts at 8PM" and admission is free! (All IPFW students with an I.D. can pick up tickets, go to the Schatzle Theatre in the Blumenthal Music Center Room 1250, 12:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Learn about the environment

A sustainable business forum will take place on campus Wednesday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. in the Ball Room. The event, which features The National Shop, is presented by the IPFW Center for the Sustainable Future. Admission is free.

Restrictions on the Road

Jerusalem: The Wall Street Journal, Israel has been restricting wireless Internet use in the new building in the city. The Ministry of Communications said the ban was initiated earlier this week to ensure the IPFW Wi-Fi wireless network was built to the U.S. standard, which all its servers should meet. It will be used in the future to build a new network. The Ministry states that the Israeli wireless network is a white Israeli law.

Key to Success: Attention is needed

Get it right? It's a challenge. The key to success is maintaining attention. In the past, it's been the case that the more you focus on the phone, the more you miss the rest of the world. In the future, it's the case that the more you focus on the phone, the more you miss the rest of the world. The key to success is maintaining attention.

Hear about studying in a foreign country

A Study Abroad Information session will take place on Wednesday, April 21, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Kettler 226. The programs that are available to students for international travel will be discussed. For more information, contact the Study Abroad Office.

1901 Cleanup for the planet

The 1901 Earth Day 2010 event at Frank's Park this Saturday, April 24, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. features tree planting and a celebration of the 1901 Earth Day. For more information, contact the Study Abroad Office.

Emily, David, and
Kathy McLeod

Safety tips for IPFW

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IPFW is generally considered to be a safe campus. With low crime rates and a visible police force, students, faculty and staff appreciate the open atmosphere of this campus that allows people to focus on learning.

But it is always important to be proactive in taking care of yourself and your safety. According to IPFW Police Chief Jeff Davis, the campus police force is hoping to augment that proactive element by installing a police sub-station in Cole Commons. It will be manned at the beginning of each school year, just to help students get more comfortable around the police force and to help ease the perceived barrier between the police and the community.

Another step towards increasing the community/police network is the implementation of community policing on campus. At this time, it is an informal cooperation between the police and community members - Davis would like to see it become more formal, with a committee and meetings. This would be an outreach for the campus, to prevent problems before they start. Davis gave the example of someone playing loud music in his or her student apartment on campus - while the police could be called to ask the individual to turn down his or her music, the community policing program would work to create guidelines for residents that would help residents

solve the problems themselves.

Regardless of the safety procedures that the police of IPFW will be following, the best way for students to be safe is for them to be aware of what's going on. Davis, who is also a personal safety instructor, said "It all goes back to your comfort level with people and good common sense... Don't give your friends your social security number or date of birth... Limit the amount of information [you give out] in class to a first name basis." In the parking garage, Davis says he's a big advocate of students using their cell phones while walking. "Have it out, be talking to someone on the phone. Make eye contact as you [walk]." Body language is important, too: walking with your head up and your eyes alert says "I'm not a target."

The IPFW police also offer escorts around campus for anyone who is feeling insecure about their surroundings. In 2009, there were 101 calls for an escort. "If a student, staff or faculty [member] is feeling uncomfortable, they can call us," Davis said. "We're not a taxi service during rain or snow, but if people don't feel comfortable [walking out to their car], we're here to help... Police officers are trained to listen to that gut instinct and call for backup, if it's available."

Davis quoted a part of the mission statement of the IPFW police department - "Enforcement, service and education." On the campus of a university, it's a good motto for the police - and the general population - to keep in mind.

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Young people are telling us they don't want a party: America Needs to Listen *OpEd*

By John Opdycke
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The Census Bureau is making a concerted effort to fully include young people – witness Commerce Secretary Gary Locke's recent appearance on The Daily Show. Census takers will be knocking on dorm rooms and checking to see who is crashing on the couch, but regardless of how thorough they are, they will miss out on one dramatic population migration: young Americans are opting not to affiliate with a political party.

Fully 50% of voters aged 18-29 now identify as independents, and the percentage of the electorate under 30 is growing. In 2006, 18-29 year olds accounted for 21% of the electorate. By 2015, estimates are that 18-29 year olds will account for 33% of all voters.

But the millennial generation finds itself confronted by an electoral system designed by—and for—the I Like Ike crowd. Party politics dominates. Election districts are gerrymandered to serve party interests. Many states require poll workers to be registered Democratic or Republican. The Federal Election Commission is comprised of three Democrats and three Republicans, rendering it both structurally impotent and blind to the concerns of independents. And most

significantly, primary elections are off limits to independents in 17 states.

The official attitude among political elites towards the independence of younger voters ranges from amusement to outright hostility. Gail Collins of the New York Times recently opined on MSNBC's "Morning Joe" that "the only kind of people voting in primaries tend to be the lunatic ends of the party because everyone else thinks it's so much sadder and cooler to say they are independent."

Collins' message to new voters—delivered with typical sarcasm—is to join a party and get with the program. Her view is shared by many political insiders who see independents as "fence sitters" who cannot be bothered to get involved.

But millennials are not apathetic; they voted in record numbers in 2008. They vote, they volunteer, but they don't want to join a party. And their stubborn independence has fueled a national controversy on the issue of open vs. closed primaries.

Republican hardliners in Rhode Island, Idaho, and Arizona are pushing to close their state's primaries. The Idaho GOP has gone so far as to file suit to force the State of Idaho to require voters to select a party when they register to vote.

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Smoke Hut Diaries

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The days are getting longer but they don't feel like they are long enough. I've been playing Hell trying to get all of my school stuff together that is due within the next couple of weeks. I've been working more hours than I did for the majority of the semester, all the while trying to get everything lined up for my big move. My head is literally about to spin off.

I breathe deep, the sounds of Murder by Death whispering to me, "slow down, start again." So I do. I collect my thoughts, make my way out to the hut,

and breathe in my sweet, sweet nicotine and engage myself in conversations

with people who are going through all of the same crap. It's reassuring.

The end of the spring semester is a different demon entirely than the end of the fall semester. Everyone is so stic crazy and has spring fever if you will. Nobody wants to be holed up in windowless classrooms or libraries, trying with all of their might to fill that one last page of a research paper. Nobody wants

to pull all-nighters in the 24-hour lounge at school when an all-nighter can just as easily be pulled drinking with friends. Everything gets so time controlled and we forget about spring being here.

I have the smoke hut to aid in the continuation of my sanity, this is enough for me. I know that the last few weeks of the semester are different for everybody, workloads considered. In the same realm, though, everyone needs to find something to help them through all of it. I don't recommend completely immersing oneself in floods of school. I don't recommend blowing off all academic responsibilities either.

The quest lies within finding the happy medium. Create a time budget and make time for breaks. Make time for friends. Make time for something other than school. A little procrastination never hurt, especially if it's going towards the avoidance of a mental breakdown. These next few weeks are always the worst, my friends. But my encouragement to all of you is to find your "smoke hut." Find something to ease the crazy because if you don't, you're in for a few weeks of hell.

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The Stop Dating Show

By Wil Upchurch & Bernadette Gleeson
Writers

"How many people can I 'Stop Dating' at the same time?"

--Amy, Texas

Amusing question, thanks for sending it in! We would rather think of it in terms of how many people you can spend time with at the same time. The answer to that question begins with our suggestion to check your motives. If there are various people that you feel as though you have an initial connection with, and you would like to spend time with them based on that, then go for it.

Also, if you are going to choose to share your moments in time with people, we would suggest it be with people that you really enjoy. There's no reason to spend time with someone just to spend time with them, or fill your dance card just to make sure you aren't alone, to "win" in comparison to the social lives of your friends, or other such reasons that don't focus on the genuine connections you make with others.

Keep it simple, stay in the moment, but also make sure to keep channels of communication open with the people you're spending time with. Different people have different comfort levels regarding the formation of romantic connections, so be sure to be clear that you aren't limiting yourself to one potential relationship in order to avoid resentment and hurt feelings.

The other thing is, don't jump ahead of yourself and feel bad about spending time with numerous people. That assumes that every connection has to be explored to its romantic limits, whereas we firmly believe that such thinking leads to anxiety and miscommunication. There is no reason to commit to anything in the present moment. What you owe to

yourself is a full day—filled with joy, peace, fun, connections, and laughter. There is no reason to put pressure on yourself, or the other person, and try to figure out the end result when there are still connections to be made in the right now. Enjoy the people you are spending time with right now; you don't have to figure the rest out.

"Should I spend time with someone that my friends say is 'bad news' or will not be good for me?"

--Dmar, New Jersey

This is a common question because we naturally care about the people that love us and that we respect in our lives. It also causes a lot of friction between friends and family members, who in the end usually have your best interests in mind even though they may not understand your decisions. What's usually missing is the realization that acceptance doesn't mean approval. You, and your friends, should know that they can accept that you have a relationship with someone they may not like without that meaning your friends approve of it.

On your side, keep in mind that disapproval doesn't have to mean friction if you maintain appropriate boundaries. Nobody can live your life for you, and the one-to-one connections you make with other human beings don't include others. Letting others take control of your relationships most often leads to resentment and regret, so we suggest that you go with your gut and honestly ask yourself, "what is wrong with spending time with someone whose company I enjoy?"

Simply put, if we don't always know what we want, what we will want, or what will make us happy, how can we rely on others to provide that information for us? Just as we tell you to tear up your own checklists, don't let others build them back up for you!



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► Census
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Elsewhere, post partisan electeds like New York City's independent Mayor Mike Bloomberg has empaneled a Charter Revision Commission to review the city's governing charter. The commission is being lobbied by independents to recommend a switch to a non-partisan primary system for local elections.

In California—where independent registration has grown from 9% in 1990 to 20% today—voters have the chance

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on June 8th to enact Proposition 14 and create an open, "top-two" voting system in which all the voters and all the candidates, regardless of party affiliation, participate in first round elections, with the top two candidates going on to the November ballot. This non-partisan approach to state elections is being opposed by every political party—major and minor—in California.

Our constitution does not mention political parties. But they have dominated political life since

1800. A new generation, comfortable with new forms of participation and communication, at ease with new technologies, and turned off by partisan dysfunction in Washington, is looking for new, more independent ways, to participate in political and civic life. By 2015, this generation of voters could account for a full third of the electorate, but there is a real danger that if given the choice of participating in old style party politics, or not participating at

all, the millennial generation will choose the latter. America has thrived because we recognize the importance of the participation of the people breakers, the out-of-the-boxers, the innovators. We all know that Washington is broken; let's fix it with more than a new coat of paint. The time has come for structural reforms that will empower a new generation of voters and entice them to participate. Young people are telling us they don't want a party. We need to listen to them.

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TOO!

ARE YOU A
STUDENT?

FACULTY?

YOUR STORIES
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Horoscopes

For the Week



ARIES (Mar. 21-April 20) If you are in the midst of a financial deal, this is your lucky day. Unreliable people will be negative about your ideas. Don't give in too quickly. If you put your mind to it, you could entertain or host a multitude of social events.



TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) You won't have much time for your mate this week. If you act with anger you may blow the relationship. Don't overspend on friends or children. This could be a serious relationship ship.



GEMINI (May 22-June 21) You might find added popularity with those around you this week. Advancement can be yours if you are assertive in your approach. Get busy on projects that improve your own image; you'll have the discipline to succeed.



CANCER (June 22-July 22) Talk to someone you trust if you need advice about broaching the subject. Strong willpower will come to your rescue. Don't condescend in any relatives whom you know have a tendency to meddle in other people's affairs. You'll regret every word.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not get involved in joint financial ventures. Problems with appliances or electrical gadgets will drive you crazy. You will enjoy physical activities more than you think. The only thing you'll accomplish is a bad reputation.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23) Outdoor sports events should entice you. You'll stay out of trouble if you pick projects that will benefit the whole family. This might not be a day for hasty decisions. Relatives may play an important role in your social activities.



LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) It may be a disappointing day emotionally. Your best gains will come through helping others emotionally. Any contributions you make to organizations will enhance your reputation and bring you offers. Don't settle for less than the best.



SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try not to take everything too seriously. Opportunities for romance will develop through group endeavors; however, the association isn't likely to last. The locks, stove, gas, or electric wires may not be secure.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't let your partner start any arguments. Passion should be redirected positively. You can offer your help to others but back off if they appear to be offended by your persistence. Do not get involved in joint financial ventures.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) Visitors may drop by unexpectedly, resulting in tension with your lover. Look into ways that you can make extra cash. Your home environment appears to be a little shaky. Look into physical activities that will help get rid of some of that tension you may be feeling.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Your need to put great detail into everything you do may cause you to miss the overall picture. Emotionally, things may not run so smoothly. Listen to the advice given by others. You might not be as reserved on an emotional level as you'd like.



PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) Partnerships could be tense. Don't push your luck. Trips, educational pursuits, or projects that could lead to new outlooks should be on your agenda. Catch up on any correspondence you've neglected.

Artist Spotlight

Austin Hammond

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Austin Hammond is not what you would typically consider a "silly" person. In fact, he is the exact opposite. He is a serious, intelligent, and hardworking young man. He is a member of the Austin High School band and plays the drums for the band. He is also a member of the Austin High School football team and plays the defensive line. He is a very dedicated and hardworking person.

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You're a Horrible Person, But I Like You

A collection of silly and inappropriate advice

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Life's big questions don't always have clear answers. If you need advice and you are sick of asking your roommates, parents, or other significant people in your life, then reading *You're a Horrible Person, But I Like You*, could clear a few things up. The book is a collection of advice (often silly and sometimes inappropriate) from actors and writers like Sarah Silverman, Rainn Wilson and Judd Apatow, among others.

The advice assortment is decently varied. *Superbad's* Michael Cera answers a reader's question about whether turtles tell jokes. Cera remarks that they most definitely do not tell jokes. Some of his answers are perhaps the most serious of all the other contributors.

But if you call Alan from *Like Reading the actor who plays him, Zach Galifianakis*, contribution in the book. When he tackles the tough question about what to do about a receding hairline, he keeps it simple by suggesting the man losing hair wear a ski mask or a fez. Another star of *The Hangover*, comedian Ed Helms, openly discusses the origin of the name unicorn, by calling the questioner, Ava from Iowa, "really dumb."

The book is obviously not to be taken seriously, as it contains impractical answers to frankly ridiculous questions. But if you have been stressed out lately and you want to read or skim through something that can cause a few laughs, *You're a Horrible Person, But I Like You* is a winner.

To find out more about this book, visit www.vintagebooks.com or www.believermag.com.



"Sisterhood" The pants and

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In continuing with the "summer" movies, it's time to turn from the classics to a more contemporary story—that of a group of friends with a magic pair of pants. That's right, it's time for *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*. While defending books over movies the majority of the time, I'll admit that I saw this movie before I read the book. Was that a downfall? Yes, because the book, while a quick read, allows the reader to get much further into the story, whereas the movie simply scrapes the surface. The screenwriters chose to make the movie just about the girls, leaving many of the details of their family lives rather fuzzy. For example, the movie focuses on the lives of Bridget, Tibby, Carmen, and Lena, four girls whose mothers met in an aerobics class for pregnant women. Only Tibby has siblings, according to the first movie. However, according to the book, Lena has a twin brother, Effie and Bridget has a twin brother.

As for the love interests in the books versus that in the movie, Bridget's love interest is the same in both forms of the

story. Lena is Lena is Kostas, but in different back story in the does in the book; Carmen in the book has a girlfriend movie does not Tibby's love book begins with one boy to another, whereas in the ends up with one. After reading and watching the movie, it's clear as to why the screenwriters chose that.

Overall, *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* is a story about change, growth, and friendship. While Hollywood may make two movies out of it, the angst of growing up, slightly apart from the known all your life. While the movie geared toward high school and the like, many colleges relate to having to watch out big universities and lead and lives while we stay here and merely trudging through college to think about anything but Fort Wayne. One reviewer of the Associated Press *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* movie that women of appreciate." Sorry, boys, but true.

Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas is a true story, but a mix of fact from Thompson's experience

Corrections for Issue 24



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"The pants are back

story: Lena's is Kostas, but he has a very different back story in the movie than he does in the book; Carmen's love interest in the book has a girlfriend, but in the movie does not; Tibby's love interest in the book begins with one boy and later turns to another, whereas in the movie, simply ends up with one. After reading the book and watching the movie, it's not entirely clear as to why the screenwriter changed that.

Overall, *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* is a story about change and finding oneself. While Hollywood did manage to make two movies out of it, they captured the angst of growing up and growing slightly apart from the friends you've known all your life. While it seems to be a movie geared toward high school students and the like, many college students can relate to having to watch our friends go to big universities and lead amazing, exciting lives while we stay here and feel like we're merely tugging through college, unable to talk about anything but getting out of Fort Wayne. One reviewer (Christy Lemire of the Associated Press) said *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* was "a rare movie that women of any age will appreciate." Sorry, boys, but that's fairly true.

'Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas' is not a true story, but a mix of fact and fiction from Thompson's experiences.

ROBIN'S

REVIEWS

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Artist: The Menzingers
Album: *Chamberlain Waits*
Label: Red Scare
Release Date: April 13, 2010
Sounds Like: Triumphant pop-punk, lively and just in time for Spring.
Rating: 3.5/5

The Menzingers second full-length album draws everything great about their first album, *A Lesson in the Abuse of Information Technology*, and turns the volume up several levels. From the first track, the anthem-based feel is overwhelming and the dance inducing percussion rings throughout every song. The vocals are smooth and raspy, weaving between clear and disheveled. Their influences are quite obvious as well, several aspects of the album sounding like something straight off a Clash album. Their affinity for the Clash is also traced back from their first release which holds a cover of the Clash's "Straight to Hell."

Artist: Against Me!
Album: *I Was A Teenage Anarchist* EP
Label: Sire
Release Date: April 20, 2010
Sounds Like: Against Me! has hit their stride with perfection.
Rating: 5/5

As most fans already know, Against Me!'s upcoming release *White Crosses* has leaked and the album is no longer withheld. With that said, Against Me! released this EP of four songs, two of which are on *White Crosses* and two that are not. I've listened to the rest of the new album and it is nothing short of perfect. The songs on the EP follow suit. "I Was A Teenage Anarchist" and "Rapid Decom-

pression" are the two songs included on the album and they combine influences from all over the place, ranging from Bruce Springsteen, The Replacements, and the bratty, good natured punk rock of old. The additional tracks entitled "One by One" and "Bitter Divisions" still emanate perfection.

Though fans of Against Me!'s older material will be quick to trash this EP, their sound is refined and the lyrics never fall short. Vocalist Tom Gabel has not lost touch with his songwriting, and fans that cannot see that need to reassess their music taste. As a sampling of *White Crosses*, this EP should be first on the list to listen to get a taste of where the band is going with their music.

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Local Movie "Beating Traffic" Stars IPFW Student

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A new film, featuring IPFW student Crystal Cully, premiered on Saturday, April 10, at the Marsh Foundation in Van Wert, Ohio. Called "Beating Traffic," the film is a "rural romance," showing what happens when two people grow apart and how choices that are made have a larger impact than many people may imagine.

It tells the story of Jay and Crystal, "two high school sweethearts who grew apart as Crystal left to pursue acting and Jay, a talented singer/songwriter, stayed behind to help his struggling family." Then, just as Jay is getting over losing her, Crystal reappears in his life and "they must decide to take a chance on each other or let fate decide the path of their relationship," according to the movie press release.

The film was shot in Ohio. The Communicator interviewed the producer, writer and director of the movie, Len Archibald, to find out more. Archibald is an award-winning playwright and also writes a weekly column for 411mania.com.

Communicator: How did you get the idea for the storyline?

Archibald: I was initially inspired by a 1953 film by Japanese filmmaker Yasujiro Ozu called "Tokyo Story." I wanted

to create a film that evoked the same style but bring it to a Western setting. I had an idea about modern relationships and drew from my own past experiences along with the experiences of others in my life.

Communicator: There is a line in the movie trailer that says, "They chose to drift apart. Now they must choose to be together." Do you think that is a common theme with most relationships?

Archibald: I think how our generation treats relationships is different compared to that of my parents and theirs. From my perspective, it seemed like there was more of a courtship, trust and open-endedness to how men and women treated each other. Now it feels like cynicism has taken over this generation and we are more willing to walk out of a relationship without any true closure. I think that lack of connection is the driving force behind "Beating Traffic."

Even though the two main characters grew up together and are "high-school sweethearts," they are still cynical. Jay had all but given up on his own life because Crystal left him behind; he sees the world move at a snail's pace and so moves with it. Crystal on the other hand is impatient and wants everything and all answers now - wrapped up in a nice organized package. The two couldn't be more different, but that contradiction is what attracts them to

each other.

Communicator: What made you cast Crystal Cully in the film?

Archibald: In all honesty, she's my muse. I wrote the script specifically with her in mind and felt the story would not work with anyone else cast in her role, hence why I didn't even give

her character a different name. Crystal is able to bring a rawness to the screen that not many actors her age around here can bring. She asks a lot of questions and is able to understand the vaguest of direction I can give her. She's a fantastic person to work with creatively.



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Above: Jon Perkins and Len Archibald.

Advantages to Gmail interface for students

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Earlier this year, ITS converted IPFW students' accounts to Google Apps, which allowed students to use the Gmail interface for their student email accounts. The interface for Google Apps is similar to the Gmail, which means most of the features from Gmail are available for IPFW email accounts.

The first tool that IPFW email users may want to use is to simply forward their IPFW account to another email, to reduce the number of inboxes that need to be checked each day. To forward the account in its entirety, click on "Settings," in the upper right hand corner of the window, and then on "Forwarding

and POP/IMAP" in the yellow box. Select "Forward a copy of incoming mail to," and then enter the address you want all of your IPFW email to be forwarded to.

One of the most useful features of this interface is a powerful filtering system. Emails can be filtered based on sender, receiver, the subject line, content of the message or the existence of an attachment. Once the message has been filtered based on the criteria, it can be labeled, archived, automatically marked as read or selectively forwarded. This is useful if you want to only have certain important messages forwarded to your regular email account. There are many useful filters to use. For example, to put all the emails for a specific class together, you could sort by sender, and include your professor, some classmates that you're working on a project with, and have any email that meets those criteria labeled with the class name, and stored, so that it is more noticeable in the inbox.

Another useful filter is to have all messages from the IPFW domain never marked as Spam.

There are other advantages to the Gmail interface for IPFW's students, such as an IM/chat feature in the window, keyboard shortcuts, and a vacation auto-reply feature.

Economics classes restricted

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In this day and age, when economics is on the top of discussion, many students decide to take an economics class to learn more about the situation and how everything works. However, because of the sudden rise in interest, a couple of economics classes have been restricted to majors, though it is only temporary. Intro to Micro Economics and Intro to Macro Economics have been restricted to make sure that Business and Economics majors are the first registered.

Last Fall there was an increase in enrollment of 14.2 percent, said David Dilts, Chair of the Economics Department. Because of that increase, economics professors were stretched to their limit, with one instructor, for example, teaching over ninety students. If there were to be another increase this year, "it would be impossible," said Dilts.

In addition, E201 usually has nine classes held in the Fall, and E202 usually holds three, according to Dilts. Coming this Fall, IPFW will offer six classes for E201 - three of which are off-campus - and two for E202, with only one on-campus.

Therefore, students majoring in Business and Economics are able to register first. Supposing that the classes are not full, on April 26, registration for Summer classes will be open to non-majors, said Dilts. In turn, Fall classes will be open for registration of non-majors July 11, said Susan Byers, Director of Student Center.

According to Byers, the Psychology department has also put major restrictions on some of their classes for some time.

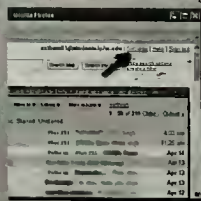
Further, major restrictions are a common occurrence in many colleges, said Dilts. While Dilts said that he was sorry for those who have been upset by the restriction, he stressed that he needed to make sure that majors could take the classes that they need.

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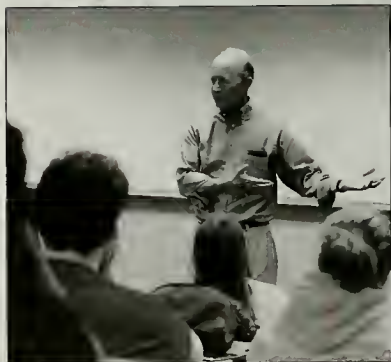
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Governor Mitch Daniels to IPFW

Student opinions addressed at Q&A



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Andrew Downs, Assistant Professor of Political Science introduced Governor Mitch Daniels to a room of IPFW students on Wednesday April 14. It was one stop among many that Daniels' is making, in an effort to hear the voices and opinions of the state's college and university students. Downs introduced Daniels' administration as "several years from now scholars will look back at this administration that got done what it wanted to get done."

While he was on campus, Daniels took time to hold a special open forum to hear the concerns of students. There were several topics discussed at the event among them were: healthcare reform, jobs, religion and the definition of "Hoosier Values."

But above and beyond everything else, IPFW students addressed the state of Indiana's education system. They asked questions concerning the viability of pursuing education as a career choice and they probed him on the ways in which he plans to get

the system back on its feet.

One suggestion that Daniels offered was the idea to privatize lunch and bus services. He said by looking in the yellow pages, the government can find businesses that offer specialized services, "Maybe they can do things better than the government can," Daniels said. He went on to say that this kind of privatization would allow for more money to be spent in the classroom and ultimately on the students themselves. Daniels mentioned that there are a lot of ways in which the school systems can save money but blames the Teacher's Union on preventing changes calling them as "the

"Daniels' took time to hold a special open forum to hear the concerns of students."

stalwarts of upholding the status quo".

Piggly-backing on this topic, Daniels told students

about his idea to remove the 12th grade and use the money that the state would have spent on the extra year of high school to being spent on their first year college. From a post-secondary education standpoint, Daniels endorsed the movement among colleges and universities to offer three-year undergraduate degree program, such as the one that Ball State offers.



Top Left: Governor Mitch Daniels answering students' questions.

Top Right: Governor Mitch Daniels answering students' questions.

Bottom Right: Joe Menze, President of the IPFW College Republicans.

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Dons are unable to pull for two

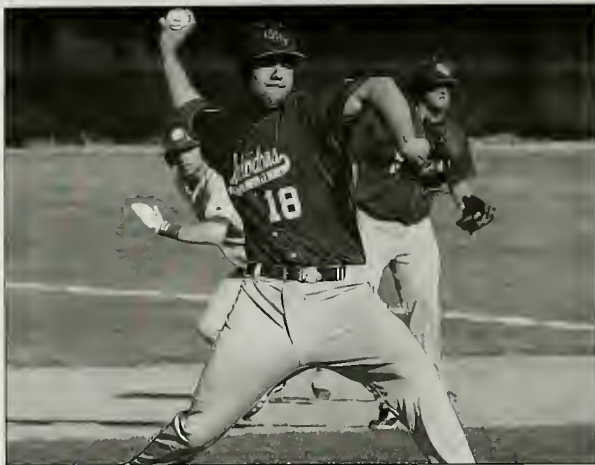


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Baseball: Pictured is junior righthanded pitcher Matt Ransbottom.

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The IPFW Mastodons came out of the weekend with a win/lose situation as they split their double header against Western Illinois last Saturday. (6-2, 3-2)

In the opener, the Mastodons a few early runs in the 3rd inning to swipe the lead for under Illinois' feet. The center fielder Kurt Dudley shot a triple to right center, as he first one of the season, and scoring two. This brought that score to an IPFW 2-1.

Pitcher Ryan August only allowed the two runs as he finished game one and started game two. Scott Meinski, Matt Ransbottom and Sam Walker pitched in the matchup against the Leathernecks to give August his first win of the season.

The Don's were able to pull away in the first when Brett Clark took a SAC fly and in the end finished with six.

In game 2 the Mastodons took an early lead of 1-0 on a Cory Miller single, and the before a blink the Don's raised Western 2-0. DH Brett Clark light up the 2 on the scoreboard with a sacrifice fly ball to center field.

In the bottom of the 4th Western Illinois loaded the bases with two outs and scored their first run on a passed ball. The next batter smacked a double scoring two and the ballgame final was set for history.

Matt Antos took the loss at 0-5 on the season. Antos finished with six strikeouts and three walks.

With the split, the Mastodons improve to 6-26 and 2-5 in league play. The final game of the series is set for Sunday at Boyer Stadium.

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Dons ride 3 game winning streak into MIVA playoffs

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Its playoff time for the Volleydons once again, and where else would the hot Dons like to be besides riding a three game winning streak. In the past three matches, IPFW has taken down King College once and Quincy twice. Throughout those three victories, the Dons have only lost two sets. The Dons are as hot as they've been all season, and its coming just at the right time. The latest victim, Quincy, took their beating on their own home court Saturday night, April 17.

The game was paced all around by freshman Elon Pyfield. Pyfield led everybody Saturday night with a game high twenty-four kills, and also led the Dons with two serving aces. IPFW won the match in four sets with a fair amount of ease by scores of 30-20, 30-27, 24-30, and 30-26.

With the win, IPFW begins to prepare for the MIVA playoffs. In the first round, which will be played Saturday,



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Men's Volleyball: Pictured is sophomore setter Dan Mader.

April 24, the Dons will battle in-state rival Ball State University. During a short conversation about the game, Pyfield said, "We've seen what happens when we play

relaxed and confident and have a good time. If we can approach this big match as if it is any other match, I strongly feel we can get out of the first round."

In Memory of a Friend: Heather Genovese

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IPFW lost a family member last week. On Tuesday, April 13, Heather Genovese passed away in her Canterbury Green apartment. Heather was a great friend, a lively soul, and someone who would always pick you up and seem to say the right thing. During the Memorial Ceremony, which was held in the Gates Center on Friday, April 16, Kenneth Christmon, IPFW Associate VC of Diversity told the students and faculty that showed up to pay respect, "Remember one thing: memories live forever, in our minds, and in our hearts." Heather will be greatly missed by the IPFW family and will never be forgotten.



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Above: Pictured are students gathered in remembrance of Genovese at the Memorial Ceremony on Friday, April 16.

60 Second Sports Report

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The NBA playoffs started up on Saturday April 17, 2010. With the Chicago Bulls winning their final game on Wednesday over the Bobcats, they wrapped up the eight seed, knocking out the Raptors. But with winning the eight seed comes with playing the Cavaliers, who has the best record in the NBA. On Saturday the Cavaliers dominated the Bulls winning 96-83. After that game the Hawks took on the Bucks, and held them in check for the most part. Bucks point guard Brandon Jennings scored 34 in his playoff debut but his team lost 102-92. D-Wade and the Heat came up short in Boston losing to the Celtics 85-76. In that game there was an altercation between Kevin Garnett and Quinton Richardson, as Garnett elbowed Richardson in the head. Garnett has been suspended for game two. In the last game on Saturday Carmelo Anthony scored 42 leading his Nuggets to the 126-113 win over the Jazz. The Jazz lost their starting center Mehmet Okur for the rest of the playoffs after tearing his ACL.

On Sunday the rest of the game ones were played. It started out with the Lakers holding off the Thunder 87-79. Then the Magic took care of the Bobcats 99-89. Both of these games were back and forth and interesting until the

end when the Lakers and Magic pulled away. In the night cap the Mavericks behind Dirk Nowitzki's 36 and the great play of Caron Butler and Jason Kidd held off the late surge by the Spurs winning 100-94. In the final game of the day we saw the first upset of the playoffs when a depleted Blazers team held off the Suns to win 105-100.

On Monday two game two's happened with the Cavaliers coming from behind to beat the Bulls 112-102, LeBron had 40 points. In the final game the short-handed Jazz upset the Nuggets 113-110. The current series outlooks are: In the East the Cavaliers lead 2-0 over the Bulls, the Celtics, Magic, and Hawks all lead 1-0. In the West the Nuggets and Jazz are tied 1-1, the Lakers, Blazers, and Mavericks all lead 1-0.

The NHL playoffs started up on Wednesday April 14, 2010. So far these playoffs have been unpredictable. On Wednesday the Senators shocked the Penguins winning 5-4, then the Flyers took down the Devils 2-1, the Coyotes fought off the red hot Red Wings to win 3-2, and the Avalanche had a big upset over the Sharks winning 2-1. On Thursday we had more drama with the Sabres over the Bruins 2-1, the Canucks beat the Kings in overtime 3-2, and the top team in the playoffs the Capitals lost to the

Canadiens in overtime 3-2. On Friday the Penguins got back on track over the Senators winning 2-1, the Devils redeemed themselves winning 5-3 over the Flyers, the Predators surprised the Blackhawks winning 4-1, the Red Wings beat the Coyotes 7-4, and the Sharks beat the Avalanche 6-5 in overtime. On Saturday the Bruins took out the Sabres winning 5-3, the Kings beat the Canucks 3-2 in overtime, and the Capitals came back late to win 6-5 in overtime. On Sunday the Coyotes beat the Red Wings again 4-2, the Flyers beat the Devils 3-2 in overtime, the Penguins won over the Senators 4-2, and the Blackhawks beat the Predators 2-0. On Monday the Bruins beat the Sabres 2-1, the Capitals dominated the Canadiens 5-1, and the Kings beat the Canucks 5-3.

The current series outlooks are as follows: In the East Capitals lead 2-1 over the Canadiens, the Flyers lead 2-1 over the Devils, the Bruins lead 2-1 over the Sabres, and the Penguins lead 2-1 over the Senators. In the West the Avalanche lead 2-1 over the Sharks, the Blackhawks are tied with the Predators at 1, the Kings lead 2-1 over the Canucks, and the Coyotes lead 2-1 over the Red Wings.

For more sports check out ipf-communicator.org

Fish Picks vs. Pea Predictions

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| 10 | Martins at Rockies
Fish: Rockies- Home cookin'
Pea: Martins- Not an exciting series |
| 9 | Cubs at Brewers
Fish: Cubs- Take out the craw again
Pea: Brewers- Bullpen weak |
| 8 | Talladega
Fish: Dale Jr.- Victory lane party
Pea: Jeff Gordon- Breaking out |
| 7 | Athletics at Rays
Fish: Rays- Catch fire
Pea: Rays- Not exciting series |
| 6 | Dodgers at Mets
Fish: Dodgers- Torre back in NY
Pea: Dodgers- Manny being Manny |
| 5 | Tigers at Rangers
Fish: Rangers- Out hit the Tigers
Pea: Tigers- Detroit playing wall |
| 4 | Yankees at Angels
Fish: Angels- Yanks hit wall out west
Pea: Yankees- Angels can't hang |
| 3 | Twins at Tigers
Fish: Tigers- Finally get one
Pea: Twins- Tigers lose finally |
| 2 | Cardinals at Giants
Fish: Cardinals- Pujols too much
Pea: Cardinals- Big Bats |
| 1 | Phillies at Giants
Fish: Giants- Panda and pitching
Pea: Phillies- Great series |

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